



PO Box 1307, MANDURAH WA 6210

EVENT DETAILS

2017 Doddi's Dash

1 km Club Handicap Swim & Fashion Parade

Sunday, 10 December 2017

Doddi's Beach, Halls Head Parade, Halls Head

INTRODUCTION

The **2017 Mandurah Masters Doddi's Dash** is the 2nd running of our annual intra-club handicap open water swim and is to be held on **Sunday the 10th December 2017**. The event comprises a pre-race fashion parade followed by a 1km handicap race around a rectangular course set in the boating exclusion zone a Doddi's Beach on Halls Head Parade, Halls Head. An entry fee of \$10 applies with all proceeds donated to the Peel Community Kitchen.

It is not too late to enter, as entries will be accepted right up to the start of the fashion parade.

COURSE MAP



Note: Actual buoys used will be a different colour to that shown on the Course Map.

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Registration

On the day of the race, registration opens at 9:30am and will close at 10:00am. Late entries will be accepted up until 10:00am. The names of each swimmer, their number and start time will be available from the Registration Desk near the Change Room building.

All swimmers must register with officials to:

- If yet to pay, pay their entry fee;
- Notify them if they intend on wearing a wetsuit, etc;
- Have their swimming number marked on them;

- Receive their swim caps; and
- Make a note of: the name of the swimmer you will follow; and the name of the swimmer who will follow you.

Note: The swimmer numbers may not be sequential and you may need to make allowance if the swimmer listed before or after you is not swimming.

Fashion Parade

The Fashion Parade will be held on the grass in front of the Doddi's Change Rooms and will commence at 10:00 am. All contestants should assemble and form an orderly line and await the name to be called before their turn on the catwalk. The decision of the Judge(s) will be final and no correspondence entered into.

Compulsory Race Briefing

The Compulsory Race Briefing will commence 10 minutes after the fashion parade at approximately 10:40 am in front of the Doddi's Change Rooms. Registered swimmers must attend ready to swim. Swimmers who are not present for the Compulsory Race Briefing will not be allowed to swim.

At the conclusion of the Race Briefing, swimmers will walk up the beach to the Start/Finish line on the eastern side of the small groyne.

Race details

The race will commence at approximately 11:00am at an in-the-water (knee deep) Start line, on the eastern side of the small groyne located on Doddi's Beach at the eastern end of the course, see Course Map.

Prior to the start, swimmers will line up on the beach in single file starting order, with the first swimmer at the front of the line. Once in order, the Starters will call for the line to move into position with the first swimmer at the Start line. Thereafter, each swimmer will start when the Starter calls their number or name.

Swimmers will complete the course marked by the orange dashed line, shown on the Course Map, in a clockwise direction keeping all buoys to their right. After the last turning buoy, swimmers shall head straight to the Start/Finish line.

A Spotter/First Aid Officer will patrol the beach during the swim. In the case of an emergency, the Spotter will sound continuous short blast from an air horn and all swimmers must then leave the water as quickly as possible.

After finishing, swimmers will make their way directly to shore and line up on the beach in finishing order as directed and remain so until released by the Starter/Finish Judges.

GENERAL RULES (APPLICABLE TO ALL SWIMMERS)

- Wetsuits may be worn, but swimmers wearing wetsuits must inform the handicapper prior to registering.
- FINA, or any other swimwear restrictions, shall not apply to this event
- No watches, heavy jewelry or fit bands are permitted to be worn
- Due to the risk of injury to other swimmers, no breaststroke kicking at the marker buoys nor when in close proximity to other swimmers. Head up freestyle can be used for sighting and negotiating turns.
- No personal paddlers are allowed.

- Official race caps must be worn on heads at all times.
- Swimmers found displaying unsporting conduct will be shot.
- Swimmers must obey the instructions of Race Officials

HANDICAP STARTING ORDER

The more leisurely swimmers will start first, followed by those in more of a hurry. The Handicapper reserves the right to change handicaps at any time up until registrations close. The final handicaps and start order will be available after registration on the morning of the swim.

PRIZES

After the swim, swimmers should change into their Christmas Picnic attire and assemble on the foreshore at Roberts Point (west end of Halls Head Parade) to commence our Christmas Picnic festivities. A Doddi's Dash/Fashion Parade presentation ceremony will be held during our lunch at approximately 1:00 pm.

All swimmers are eligible for prizes with the exception of swimmers disqualified or shot for breaches of the rules.

The winner of the swim will be presented with "Barb Pellick" Perpetual Trophy upon which their name will be engraved. Additional prizes will be awarded to 2nd and 3rd place of the swim and fashion parade, as well as other spot prizes.

FOOD & REFRESHMENTS

All swimmers will be given fruit after the event. The sausage sizzle previously planned, will now be replaced by our BBQ Christmas Lunch. Please bring your own picnic furniture, meat, nibbles, and drinks, as well as a salad to share and wrapped gift for Santa's sack to the value of \$5. The Club will provide sweets and ice creams. Coffee, other drinks and food are available for purchase from the Dome.

CHANGES OR CANCELLATION

The Race Director has the right to:

- Change the event details, course, handicaps, procedures, prizes, etc.; and
- Cancel the event in the event of unfavourable conditions or circumstances that could compromise the safety of participants.

If the event is changed or cancelled, event entry fees will not be refunded and no correspondence will be entered into.